Docket No.: 060188-0731 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080

HIROSE, YUTAKA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4080

Application No.: 10/736,605 : Group Art Unit: 2811

Filed: December 17, 2003 : Examiner: TRAN, Thien F.

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 23, 2007, and the petition for a one-month extension of time up to and including July 23, 2007 being filed concurrently herewith, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.